IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.:

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Applicant:

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

March 6, 2002

Dear Sir:

The following Preliminary Amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS

Please renumber the second claim 5 as claim 10.

REMARKS

The application has been amended to renumber second claim 5 to claim 10.

Favorable action on the above-identified application is respectfully requested.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment of Deposit Account No.

08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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